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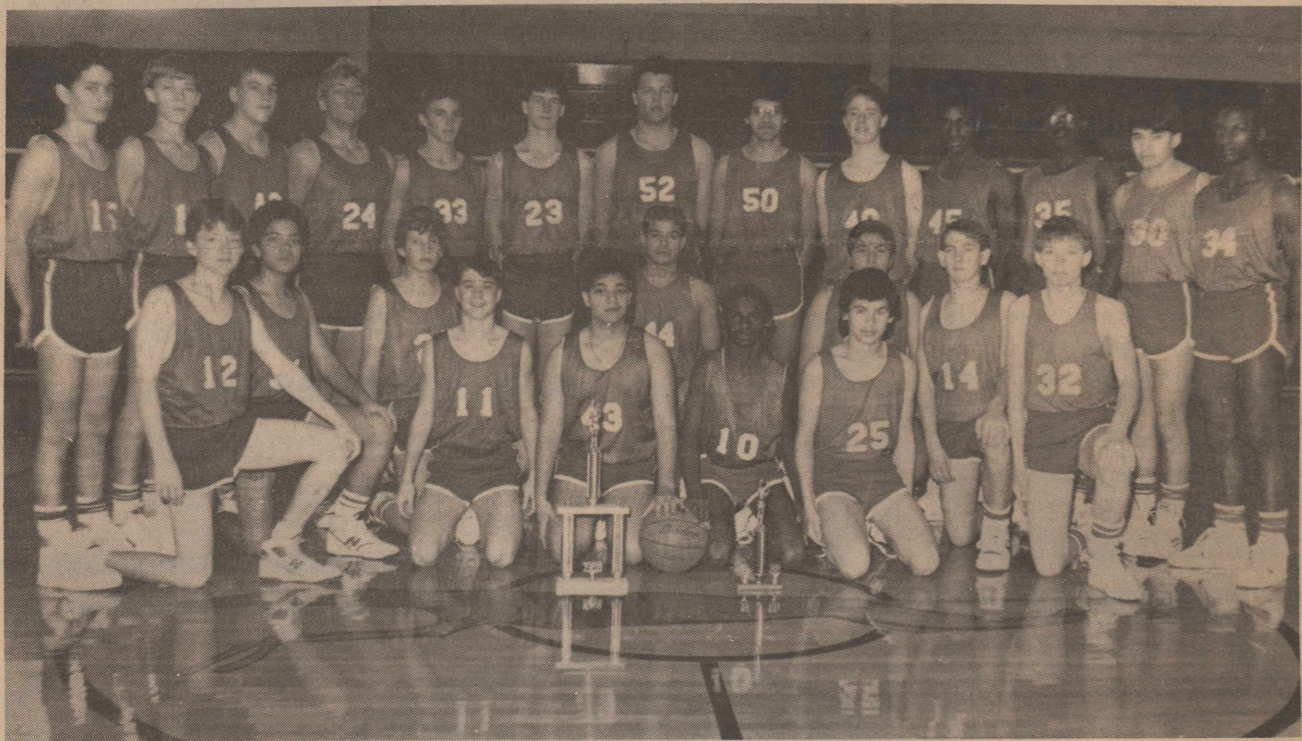
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JUNIOR VARSITY HOUNDETTES



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Stout Resigns As Hospital Administrator

To Assume Duties At Ranger

Knox County Hospital Administrator Dick Stout has requested that the Hospital Board of Directors accept his and wife Nancy's resignations, effective March 1, 1989.

Stout has accepted a position with the Rural Hospital Association and will be the administrator of the Ranger, Texas, hospital.

Stout made the following observation of the Knox County Hospital situation, "The hospital is in good shape and in my opinion has made a successful comeback, to be used by county residents for as long as they continue to support it."

"Knox County has several advantages that puts its hospital into a more favorable position than others that have not been quite so successful. (1) Local Support-(a) taxpayers support, (b) other businesses in area support the hospital, (c) Pink Ladies support, and (d) County and City governmental support; and (2) Medical Staff-(a) good physician on staff, (b) nurses that really care, and (c) technologist and

other hospital and clinical staffs that care. "Nancy and I will miss our friends in Knox County. I am proud to have been a part of this reopening and proud of

all that has been accomplished. We will be watching the progress of the hospital with special interest. "God bless you all in your future efforts."



KNOX CITY WINNERS in the meet at Wichita Falls last Saturday were, from left front row, Starla Whitaker, second in informative speaking; Kim Ainsworth, second, shorthand; Nancy Marin, first, shorthand; and back row from left, Justin Emerson and Andy Williams, third in cross-x debate. (News Photo)

Schools Close

Knox City-O'Brien students joined many others in the Big Country Monday in staying home from school after Lone Star Gas Company's curtailment of its natural gas consumption. The local schools opened Tuesday while others remained closed.

A spokesperson in the superintendent's office explained that Knox City-O'Brien school plants have heat pumps and could have opened Monday but they were experiencing electrical problems in the high school building and also plumbing problems.

Other factors determining the closing of area schools during this bitter cold spell has been whether the facilities are on commercial or industrial rates.

"The Railroad Commission asked that the whole state cut back because

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Meeting Set For Sunset Homecoming

A meeting to plan the Sunset Homecoming is planned for Monday night, February 13, at 7:00 p.m. in the Munday High School Library.

All interested parties are encouraged to be there to make plans for the Labor Day weekend homecoming on Sunday, September 3, 1989.

KC Students Are On The Road Again

By Starla Whitaker

Yes, the Knox City speech kids went to another tournament except this time they were joined by some of the academic kids. Participants were Byron Waldrip in duet acting and group improv; Kristin Perdue in duet acting, group improv, and typing; Amber Mahan in poetry and group improv; Starla Whitaker in ready writing, group improv, and informative speaking; Angie Staggs in number sense, headline, and editorials; Andy Williams and Justin Emerson in cross-x debate; Beth Underwood in number sense, calculator, and persuasive speaking; Kim Ainsworth and Nancy Marin in shorthand; Lance Haragan in L/D debate; and Roger Marion in number sense.

The debaters left Friday for the preliminaries. Justin and Andy broke into the semi finals so they had to leave at 6:00 a.m. with the rest of the crew.

Events started bright and early at 8:00 a.m. Once at Wichita Falls, everyone went their separate ways. By one o'clock some of the academic people namely Nancy and Kim who took first and second, found out if they had won, and almost all of the speakers had found out if they had advanced or not.

By 7:00 p.m. Justin and Andy had picked up third place and Starla had won second.

There is one invitational speech tournament left. After that, the winning really starts to count, because it's on the road to State.

Houndettes Win District

The Knox City Houndettes won district last Friday night when they defeated Benjamin, 59-44.

The Knox City girls pulled out ahead of the Lady Mustangs 24-10 in the first quarter, gaining every quarter except for the fourth when Benjamin scored 14 to KC's 9.

High score for Knox City were Kristi Risinger 18 and Trina Fry 14.

High for Benjamin were Francine Redder 16, Kellie Westmoreland 13, and Sandra Bolanos 12.

Knox City's district record stands at 7-1 and Benjamin's is 6-2.

Bi-district competition will be

February 16-17-18 with area games on Feb. 20. Regional will be Feb. 25 and state playoffs are March 3-4.

Several tentative practice games are scheduled, according to Coach Joel Haragan.

Hounds Are District Runners-Up

The Knox City Greyhounds and the Munday Moguls have tied in District 18A basketball action. However, an ineligible player in one of the district games caused Knox City to have to forfeit, with the Hounds' ending up in

second place.

The Hounds' bi-district game will be Feb. 24, according to Coach C.H. Underwood.

Weather permitting, the Hounds will have a practice game Friday night

with Santa Anna at Albany. Then on Tuesday, Feb. 14, there is a tentative game with Rotan at Haskell for both the KC boys and girls. The Hounds will play Early in another practice game Sat., Feb. 18, in Abilene Cooper gym.

Phyllis' Hair Station Sets Grand Opening

Phyllis Marin of Phyllis' Hair Station is planning a Grand Opening for her new salon, Thursday, February 9, starting at 10:00 a.m. Coffee and donuts will be served throughout the day.

Everyone is invited to drop by and see her new shop and register for a free perm to be given away at 4:00 p.m.

Commodities To Be Distributed February 14

The Aspermont Small Business Development Center will distribute USDA Surplus Commodities, Tuesday, February 14, in Knox City at the City Hall from 8:30 until 10:00 a.m.

Other locations on Tuesday, February 14, will be Rochester, 8:00-9:00 a.m., Fire Hall Building; Benjamin, 9:30-10:30 a.m., Courthouse; Truscott, 9:00-9:30 a.m., Community Center; Gilliland, 9:45-10:15 a.m., School House; Vera, 10:45-11:15 a.m., Community Center; Munday, 1:30-2:15 p.m., Community Center; and Goree, 3:00-3:30 p.m., Community Center.

Each person is asked to bring a large grocery sack and also his or her Social Security Card. Identification must be presented before receiving commodities. For more information, readers should call the Aspermont SBDC at 817-989-3445.

NEWS BRIEFS

Pheasant Meeting Scheduled

There will be a public meeting of all Knox County landowners interested in a program to release pheasants on their land. The meeting will be held on Thursday, February 9, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Rhineland beginning at 8:00 p.m.

KC Circle Club To Meet February 14

The KC Circle Club of the Extension Homemakers will meet Tuesday, February 14, in the home of Janet Conner. Mrs. Conner and Mary Groves will be hostesses.

The program will be on "Ways to Use Wonder-Under and Creative Twist!", presented by Mrs. Conner.

As always visitors are welcome. For further information, readers should call Leta Mangis at 658-3156.

Members are reminded to remember their Secret Pals on Valentine's Day.

Little Dribblers To Play Thursday, Saturday

Little Dribblers will take to the courts Thursday and Saturday of this week for their tournament.

Teams entered include Rule, Rochester, Weinert, Benjamin, and Knox City for ages third through sixth grade with both boys' and girls' teams entered.

Play will begin on Thursday from 4:00 to 8:30 p.m. at O'Brien gym. Saturday's action will get underway at 10:00 a.m. through 6:30 p.m. at the Knox City gym.

VFW Meeting Planned For February 16

Interested persons are invited and encouraged to join the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post #1035, Knox County. For those serving overseas, and having honorable discharge, they are eligible for membership.

A meeting will be held February 16 at the Community Center in Munday at 7:00 p.m. Those wishing to join are required to bring a copy of discharge, which will serve as eligibility to membership. This will be put on file as record.

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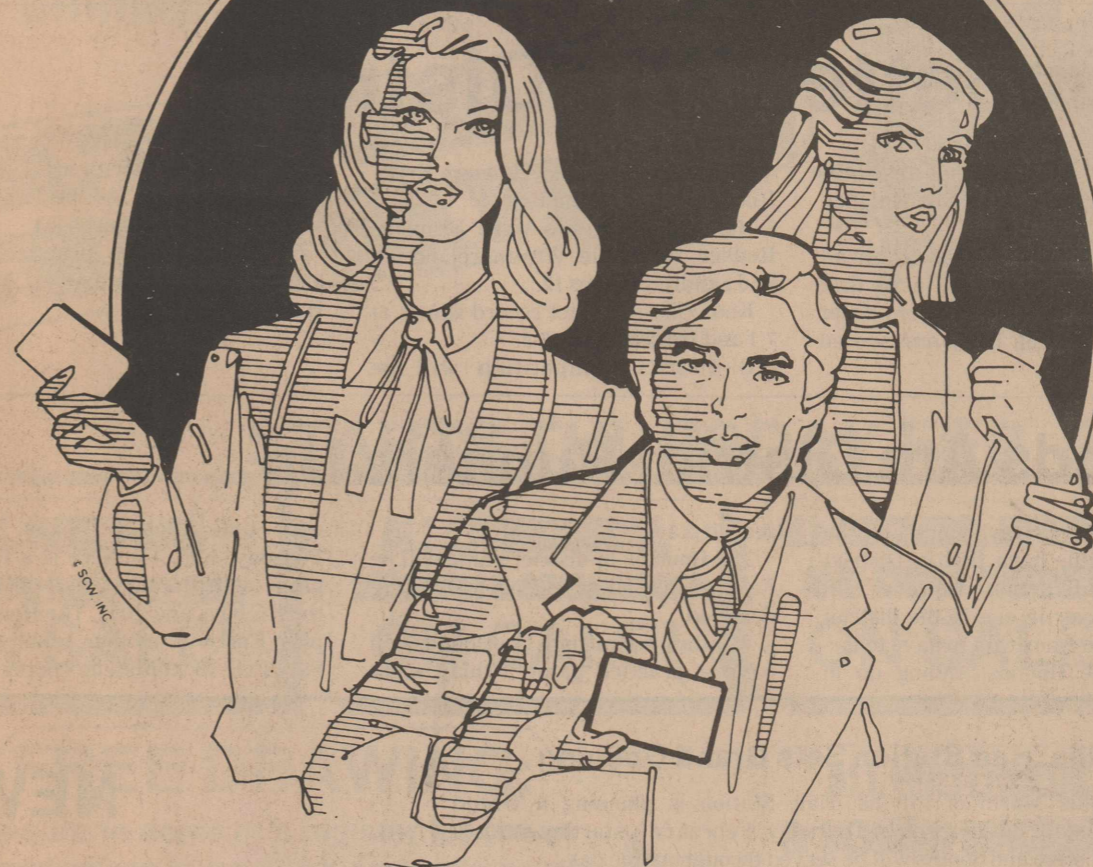
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Representative Counts Co-Sponsors House Bill 1

AUSTIN - State Representative David Counts (D-Knox City) announced today that he has signed on as a co-sponsor of House Bill 1, The Workers' Compensation Reform Act of 1989. House Bill 1, authored by State Representative Richard Smith (R-Bryan), is the final product of 18 months of public testimony, research and investigation by the Joint Select Committee on Workers' Compensation Insurance.

"The passage of House Bill 1 is vital for Texas businesses and their employees," said Rep. Counts. "We must make Texas more attractive to prospective businesses wishing to relocate to Texas and allow existing businesses to be more competitive with businesses in other states. In addition, we must guarantee that Texas' injured employees are adequately compensated."

The work of the committee produced the most comprehensive study of Texas' workers' compensation system in 75 years. The most significant of the findings is that currently, Texas' workers' compensation system is ranked as the third most expensive state in the nation in cost to businesses while ranking below average in benefits paid to its injured workers. Recognizing the severity of the problem, Gov. Clements, Lt. Gov. Hobby and Speaker of the House Gib Lewis have all stated that workers' compensation reform is one of their top priorities of the 71st Legislative Session.

H.B. 1 is a complete rewrite of the existing statutes and will make a broad range of reforms including

restructuring and renaming the agency which governs Texas' workers' compensation system. Other provisions include significantly increasing the maximum allowed benefits, setting penalties for fraud, moving disputes out of the courtroom, allowing self-insurance under strict guidelines and establishing a division of Industrial Safety to promote work place safety.

Preliminary review of House Bill 1 has brought support from virtually all the business groups in Texas as well as a number of employee, medical and insurance groups.

SCHOOLS

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there could be a shortage of natural gas," said an official for Lone Star Gas. The spokesman said the state has plenty of natural gas but cannot service the high demand at one time.

"There is not a shortage as such," he said. "The bitter cold has increased usage. As big a usage as had been demanded the last few days, we just can't get it there fast enough."

School officials also reported that the flu, chicken pox, and one case of hepatitis accounted for unusually high absences last week. The Knox City Elementary School had approximately 22 students absent earlier in the week and 40 on Friday. The O'Brien Middle School averaged 20 students per day

absent while Knox City High School had 12 absent each day.

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I know from personal experience he can solve problems and straighten out

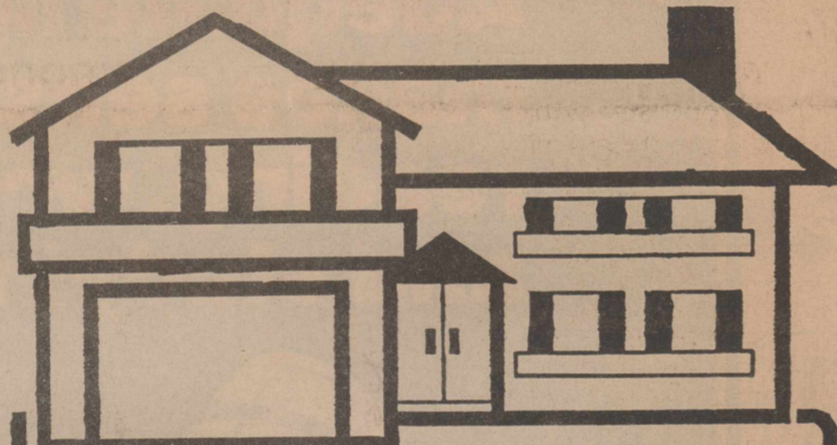
your life. It won't be a bed of roses, being a Christian is not always easy. But getting high on the Lord can be fantastic! He died for you-suffered much, and he loves you. Nothing you have done is too much for him. He will forgive you in an instant if you'll ask him to. We all know what we were or what we are. I'm not perfect nor never will be, till Jesus comes. I still need to draw closer to him and learn more and let him guide my life. You can do it too. I would be glad to talk to anyone who just needs someone to listen to or needs prayer. I have a tape of my testimony. I just love the Lord so much-I've changed and I am greatly blessed. Anyone in our church would love to welcome you or help you-come on in and worship-and share what you have with someone else. Let Jesus shine in 89!

Mrs. Johnny Rocha

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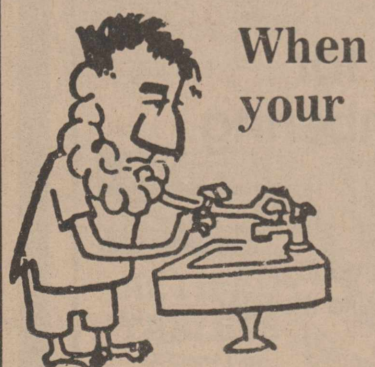
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Brush Management Improves and Restores

The purpose of a brush management program is to improve or restore quality plant cover to: 1) reduce sediment and improve water quality, 2) increase quality and production of desirable plants for livestock and wildlife and 3) maintain or increase wildlife habitat values.

Several methods of brush management are widely used and include mechanical, chemical and biological procedures as well as prescribed burning. Each of these methods can be used alone or in combination to reach the desired goals.

Once a brush management program has been implemented, a follow-up maintenance program is needed. Preventing previously treated areas from becoming re-infested is very im-

portant to a complete brush management program.

One of the newer chemicals on the market is Velpar. Velpar is an effective and economical solution for controlling re-sprouts or individual trees. This chemical is used mainly on mesquite or juniper but also controls elm, hackberry, and others. It is applied with a disposable spot gun. Red food coloring may be added to the chemical so that treated plants may be easily identified.

Another type of chemical effective for spot control is Spike 20P. This is a pelletized herbicide that is effective in controlling oak species, whitebrush, acacia, lotebush and many others.

Prescribed burning is another very effective tool used in brush management programs. Fire can be used to control many re-sprouts and seedlings when applied under the right conditions. Prescribed burning is normally done in January and February in this area. It is highly recommended that before applying a burn that you consult experienced personnel. The Soil Conservation Service personnel in your area are capable of helping you plan a prescribed burn.

There are other methods used in follow-up maintenance of brush control programs. The key to any successful brush management program is to practice proper grazing management. Grazing management practices include but are not limited to proper grazing use and deferred grazing. Without management practices, a costly brush control program will be futile. A little management pays big dividends.

For further information on follow-up maintenance on previously treated areas or any method of brush control, contact your local Soil Conservation Service office. Assistance is available on a wide range of ranch management practices.

Assistance is provided through all programs administered by the Soil Conservation Service regardless of race, color, sex, age, handicap, religion or national origin.

4-H News

By Amanda Baker

The Knox County 4-H Horse Club met at the home of Mary Ann Boone on Tuesday evening, January 24 at Knox City. One purpose of the meeting was to elect officers. The following were elected: President-Bob Burkhart, Vice President-Christi Whitten, Secretary-Rhonda Whitten, Treasurer-Tressie Boyd, Reporter-Amanda Baker, Recreation Chairman-Lila Jo Rector.

The club decided to travel to Fort Worth February 4 to observe horse judging at the Stock Show. The next club meeting will be held on February 13, at 6:30 in the home of Horse Club leader, Mary Ann Boone. The club is open to anyone interested in horses, outdoors, and fun! Happy Trails To You!

Traci Fry Is Named To ACU Dean's List

Traci Fry has been named to the Dean's List for the fall '88 semester at Abilene Christian University.

To be eligible for the list, a student must have a grade point average of 3.5 or better.

An English and News Editorial Education major, she is a member of the Educational Honors Society-Kappa Delta Pi, Tri Kappa Gamma Social Club, and The Women's Club of ACU (membership restricted by invitation only and based on grades and campus participation.)

Traci is a member of Outstanding College Students of America.

Traci is a USAA Scholastic All-American. She is a 1986 graduate of Rochester High School. A projected May 1990 graduate of ACU, Traci plans to do her student teaching in the spring of 1990.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Fry and granddaughter of Thelma Grinstead, all of Rochester.

February is Heart Month

Social Security News

About ten percent of the people in this area will be paying income tax this year on part of their 1988 social security benefits. Up to half of the social security benefit can be subject to taxation.

Taxation of benefits applies if a person has combined income-taxable income plus nontaxable interest plus one-half of the social security benefit over the base amount.

Base amount figures are:
* \$25,000 for an individual;
* \$32,000 for a couple filing a joint tax return; or

* \$0 for a married person filing a separate return if living with their spouse during any part of 1988.

The amount of benefits subject to tax is the smaller of these two figures:

* one-half of the social security benefits, or

* one-half of the amount of combined income over the base amount.

By now everyone who received benefits last year should have received a Social Security Benefit Statement (Form SSA-1099) showing the amount of benefits received. A worksheet is sent with the SSA-1099 to use in figuring whether taxes must be paid.

Anyone who has questions about paying taxes on their social security benefits can get additional information by calling the Internal Revenue Service toll-free phone number, 1-800-424-1040.

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KNOX COUNTY KONNECTIONS

By Jane Rowan
County Extension Agent

TIPS FOR PARENTS-HELPING CHILDREN LEARN

Parents need to read with children rather than read to them. Research tells us that parent-child reading is most successful when it involves give-and-take and identifying words and ideas in a pleasurable situation.

Regular patterns of reading with children eight to ten minutes a day for four to seven days a week are associated with both high reading achievement and positive attitudes toward reading in children.

The more that children and parents are actively engaged in "thinking" about the story as contrasted to "listening" to the story, the more successful reading with children becomes in enhancing children's reading achievement.

Sending letters and postcards to grandparents or friends is a way to involve children in the writing process, as well as encouraging them to understand and be thoughtful of others. At first, children can draw a picture and dictate a short message. Later they can write their own names and gradually add other word and short statements. In this manner, children are encouraged to use writing as a form of communications.

UPDATE: STORING GARMENTS IN PLASTIC BAGS

The plastic bag the dry cleaner uses is mainly for the purpose of keeping the garments clean while being transported from the dry-cleaning plant to the consumer's home.

However, occasionally consumers will store the garments while still in the bag. In some cases, the garments may be stored in the plastic bag for an extended period of time, possibly weeks, months, or seasons.

Occasionally, we hear complaints that the ink from the lettering on the bag has stained the garments inside the bag or possibly the garments that were stored next to the bag. This has been seen mostly on leathers, suedes, vinyls, and synthetic materials, but it could happen to a variety of fabrics.

Considerable research has been done by various individuals in the industry to find inks that would not cause this problem. Unfortunately it has not been possible to find an ink that would be suitable for the specific purpose of the bag and yet not cause dye transfer on come materials.

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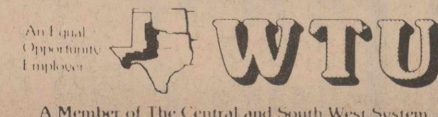
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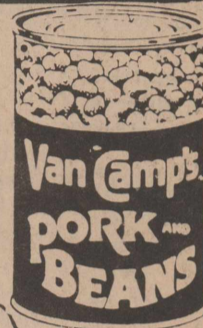
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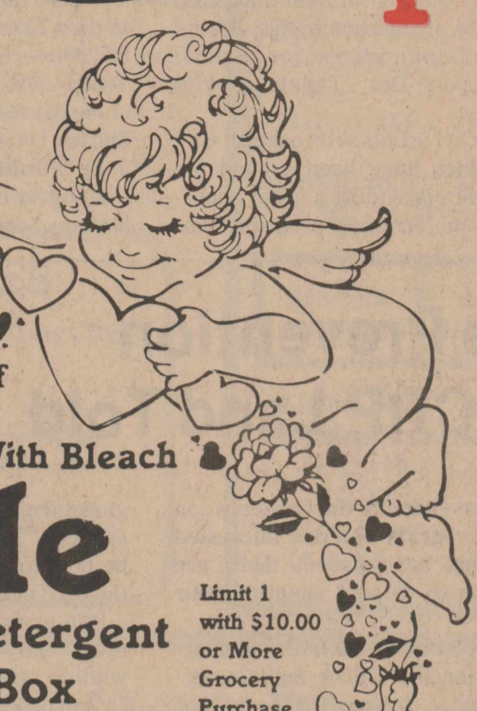


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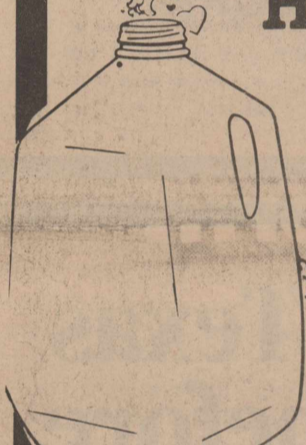


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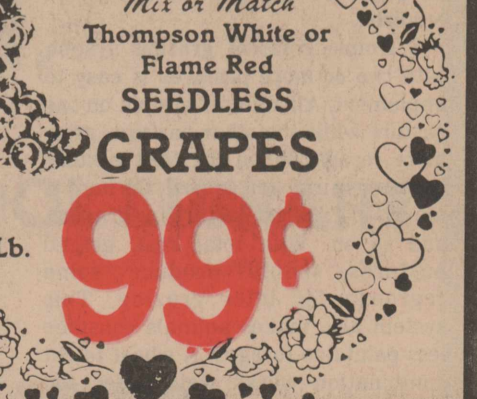


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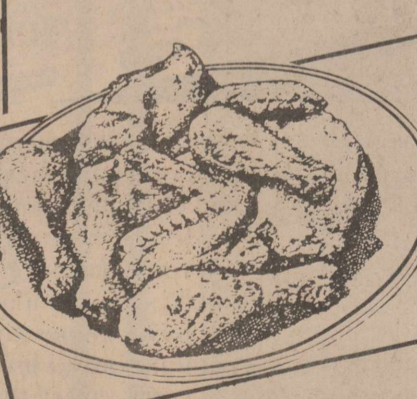


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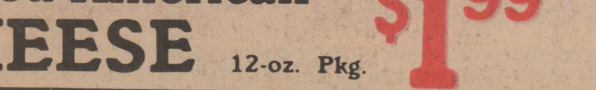
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It's Girl Scout Cookie Time!

The annual Girl Scout Cookie Drive will begin this Friday, February 10. Area Knox City Girl Scouts will begin taking orders for cookies, which will be delivered the first of March.

This year a new cookie joins the sale—the Honey Glazed Oatmeal Chocolate Chip Cookie. In addition to this, Scouts will be taking orders for Echos, Samoas, Do-Si-Dos, Tagalongs and Trefoils.

Why do Girl Scouts sell cookies? Girl Scout cookies have been around for over 50 years providing a great opportunity for the Scouting program. Not

only does selling cookies teach the Scouts many valuable lessons, it also provides funds for each Troop for the many activities the girls are involved in.

Orders taken during the Scout door-to-door campaign February 10-19 will be delivered between March 3-19. Troop cookie chairmen this year include Karen Smith, Brownie Troop; Shirley Davenport, Junior Troop; and Judy Perdue, Cadette Troop. Those wishing to order cookies, please contact any Scout or cookie chairman.

Fire Prevention On CRP Land Told

If you have land in the Conservation Reserve Program and are interested in installing a fireguard, there are ways to do so without violating your contract.

Jerry Pearce, district conservationist for the USDA Soil Conservation Service at Knox City, said that he understands that the rules for installing fire guards are fairly simple. The contract requirements are set by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS).

"First, you need to protect the fire

guard from excessive erosion", Pearce said. "The fire guard also needs to be next to a road and be written into the CRP plan."

"To prevent excessive erosion, farmers may want to plant annual wildlife strips in lieu of bare ground. Or the producer may prefer to merely keep the guard mowed or shredded closely."

For information on installing fire guards on CRP land in Knox County, contact the SCS office in Knox City or call 658-3526.

Farm & Ranch News

BY DONNIE PETERS
County Extension Agent

PRUNE LANDSCAPE NOW

Since most plants in the landscape now dormant, January through February is the time for pruning.

Homeowners with fruit and nut trees should remove diseased, dead limbs and limbs that are too close to the ground during the dormant stage.

In addition, fruit trees may be pruned heavily if pruning has been neglected for years.

In pruning trees, limbs should be cut flush to the limb or trunk. This type of cut is much more appealing as the tree will not have "hat racks" or protruding stubs. Often times these stubs will produce water suckers which also are unsightly and have to be removed later.

Pruning should be done with a saw if limbs are greater than 1½ inches in diameter. Limbs smaller than 1½ inches may be cut off with lopping shears or hand pruning shears.

If large limbs are being removed, it is wise to make a cut ¼ of the way through the branch on the under side of the limb. This will prevent the bark from being stripped from the trunk of the tree.

Then cut the limb 12 to 24 inches away from the trunk. After removing most of the weight from the limb, cut the rest of the limb off even with the trunk of the tree.

It is not necessary to treat cuts of trees as the trees will heal themselves if given adequate care.

Root sprouts should also be removed at the base of the tree.

GRAZING MANAGEMENT FOR WINTER PASTURES

Because of the dry fall weather this year, proper management of winter pastures is more critical than ever.

For winter pastures to be used efficiently, beef producers should choose some type of grazing management system.

Which system to be used will dictate the degree of management that will be required.

A simple rotation grazing system with two or more pastures is easy to implement. All animals are put on one pasture while the other pastures grow more forage. When the first pasture has been fairly well grazed, the herd is moved to a second pasture for grazing, and so on. With total rest, grazed pastures should produce some regrowth for later grazing. This system also makes animals consume less palatable forages. A wheat to oat combination works well under the system.

Another system that may be used is the cell method. This involves very high grazing intensity for a 2-3 week period and move the cattle into a new cell. Result demonstration work has shown that under this system, forage yields have been higher. The drawback however is that fences must be used to cut cattle from other cells of pasture, so some labor is required.

For a more intensive grazing management system, a type of limited grazing may be a good choice. Dry cows can be grazed for two to four hours every other day on winter pastures. Some other forage like hay would be necessary while animals are off pasture. In effect, winter pasture would be the protein supplement for

these animals.

Cows with calves, steers or growing heifers should be allowed to graze high quality winter pasture every day, for about two hours.

With such a system, weight gains will not be great but should occur. The important feature is that grazing days per acre can be increased by limited grazing.

Livestock will become trained to the type of grazing management selected. Under rotation grazing, livestock will be more than willing to change pastures once the pasture they are on is grazed down.

Under any form of limited grazing, livestock become trained in about two weeks. After being herded off pasture regularly for several weeks, they become trained and start leaving on their own. Thus, actual work involved becomes minimal.

O'Brien Happenings

By Audie Johnston

"We Mortals realize the value of our blessings only when we have lost them."

HERE AND THERE

Those attending the area Evangelism Conference at Haskell last Monday were Orval and Helen Manning, Demp and Mamie Emerson, Bill and Evelyn Trice, Wayne and Corrine McKinney, Delmar and Glenda McKinney and Bernice Rowan. The

preaching and singing was the very best.

Butch, Sue, Scott, Steffani and Suzanne Stephens spent the weekend in Fort Worth attending the Stock Show.

Jim and Joann Searcy of Montgomery, Alabama are visiting Joann's mom, Clara Hanson and Troy.

"A man who never makes a mistake must get tired of doing nothing."

KNOX COUNTY KONNECTIONS

By Jane Rowan
County Extension Agent

THE TRUTH ABOUT STRESS SUPPLEMENTS

Stress is a "hot-button" word these days, especially for women who are trying to juggle multiple roles as wives, mothers, employees, community leaders, athletes or students.

Some manufacturers of supplements would like us to believe that a pill is the answer to stress. Stress tablets are based on a formula originally developed for post-operative patients and victims of severe trauma.

While the actual stress of surgical procedures or injuries can increase energy and nutrient needs, psychological stresses such as fear, anger and tension fall into the category of normal stresses of daily living and do not substantially increase nutrient needs.

Supplement marketers try to convince the public that the RDA for some nutrients is not adequate to cope with day-to-day stress. The adrenal glands are involved in the stress reaction, they say, and because the adrenal glands have high amounts of vitamin C, stress requires supplements of this vitamin. Clinical studies at this time do not support this claim.

Individuals under stress need supplementary B vitamins, say supplement manufacturers. Vitamin B (pyridoxine) is included in stress formulas because it is thought to raise serotonin levels, thus improving mood. Recent research shows neurologic damage in women who take high doses of B for months, typically for the treatment of PMS.

There is evidence to support increasing potassium intake during stress, but nutrition experts recommend doing this by eating more fruits and vegetables and drinking fruit juices.

So what can you do when you're ex-

periencing day-to-day stress? Try taking these steps:

-Eat regular meals in small amounts, since stress can slow the digestive process.

-Increase the amount of fruits and vegetables in the diet.

-Eat high quality protein foods to protect against muscle breakdown.

-Drink plenty of fluids.

-Exercise to reduce anxiety and to feel a sense of control.

-Use relaxation techniques to counteract tension.

-Enjoy comforting foods like baked custard or chicken soup in moderation. Individual comfort foods are more likely to relieve stress than a pill!

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Try using an acrylic cutting board. Knives won't leave grooves in it where bacteria from fresh meats and their juices can hide. So it's much easier to keep this kind of board safe from use to use.

Educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are open to people of all ages, regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, handicap, religion, or national origin.

A SOUR SNACK: At only six inches long, a newt would seem like easy prey for a hungry predator. But few animals pursue the small bite-size amphibians. National Wildlife magazine reports that when threatened newts arch their bodies into a warning position with the tips of their noses touching their tails. This unusual warning reminds predators that the newt's blood and tissue contain a poison more deadly than strychnine.

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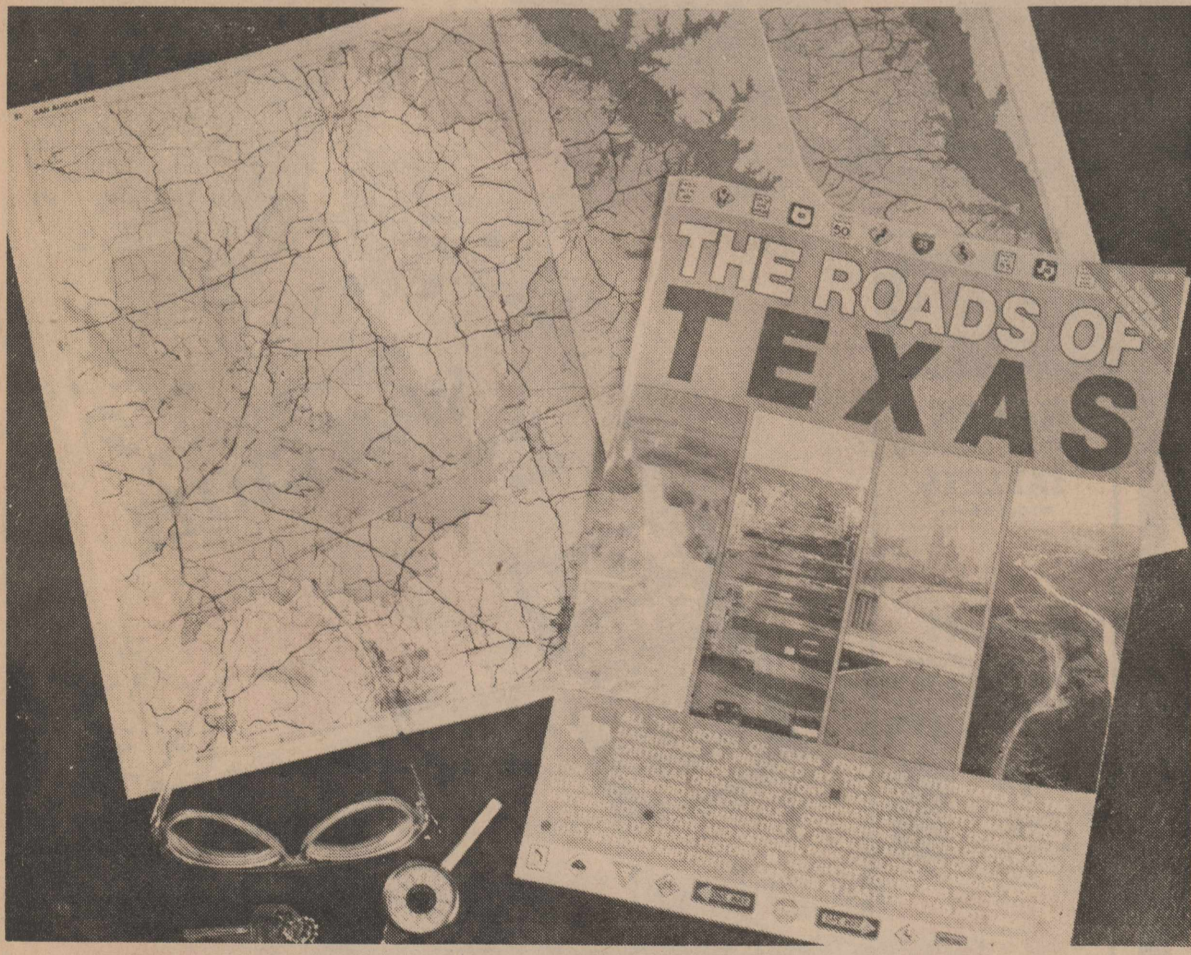
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Benjamin News

By Gladene Green

BASKETBALL NEWS

It doesn't seem like it has been very long since it began but the regular basketball season is now over. The girls finished up Friday night. On Tuesday they played Goree and the victory was great! The score was 51-16. Kelly Westmoreland had 17 points. Francine Redder made 16, Christi Whitten had 12. Rebekah Duke made 4 and Sandra Balones made 2. But Friday night the story ended on a much sadder note. Knox City was our host and they did intend to play ball and they did just that! The final score was K.C. 59-Benjamin, 44. Francine scored 16 points, Kelly made 13, Sandra had 12, Christi, 1 and Rhonda Whitten 2. That win for K.C. made them the district champions and Benjamin is runner-up. And it's time for the play-offs. I'm not sure of the time and dates for those to begin but when I find out, I'll let you know. Meanwhile, congratulations Houndettes on a very successful season and Lady 'Stangs, you've done alright too! And your supporters are all very proud of you all.

The Junior High teams played ball last Monday night. They hosted the Weinert youngsters and won 25-10. It turned out to be a "co-ed" ballgame as both schools needed both boys and girls to make a team. They said it was fun and they all enjoyed the challenge.

NEW BUSINESS

If you've been wondering what the new buildings are here in town, they are mini-storage buildings. They are located where Dub's grocery formerly was located and are owned by Ricki Russell and Randy Hibdon. They are near completion and will soon be ready for business. It's good to see signs of progress here in our town.

ATTEND U.I.L. MEET

Several youngsters and their teacher Lewis Lee Baty attended the University Interscholastic League meet in Stamford on Saturday, January 28. Students taking part in the meet were Rebekah Duke, who placed third in number sense, Kate Grill, Ricky Trepanier, Stephanie Conner, Jim Bob Conner, Zeke Duke, Rebel Rainwater and Michelle Conner.

HOMEMAKING CLUB NEWS

The Benjamin Homemaking classes visited in the home of Mrs. Dorothy Spikes recently to see her weaving looms and hand-crafted designs.

Mrs. Spikes' designs are Indian weavings made of wool fibers. She uses a bicycle rim to make tapestry weavings, which are beautiful and

unique.

The classes were inspired about weavings in their textile studies and expressed appreciation to Mrs. Spikes for her courtesy and taking the time to show them her work.

Local F.H.A. advisor is Becky Baker.

LITTLE DRIBBLERS NEWS

The "littlest" folk get their chance at basketball this week as the little dribblers take to the court. They are scheduled to play Thursday evening beginning about 5:00 p.m. There will be three games (5:00-5:30 & 7:30 p.m. or thereabout).

Then on Saturday there will be an all day tournament at Knox City and times of play on that day depends on the outcome Thursday night. These games are important to these kiddoes and everyone is urged to go and watch them perform.

ATTEND STOCK SHOW

Benjamin was well represented at Fort Worth last week as several youngsters showed stock at the Fat Stock Show. Jay Whitten placed third with his heavy weight short horn steer, Jason Simmons had a sixth place with his polled Hereford and Timmy Cash had a ninth place showing with his pig.

Others attending were Christi and Rhonda Whitten, Chad, Kathy and Rebel Rainwater, Jason Patterson and Jeremy Simmons.

It's always good when you win, but it is also important to participate. And all of these kids deserve a pat on the back for all their efforts.

NOTICE!

The chili-bean supper previously scheduled for Saturday night, February 10, has been postponed due to the promise of still more cold, disagreeable weather through the end of the week. The supper will be re-scheduled for a later date.

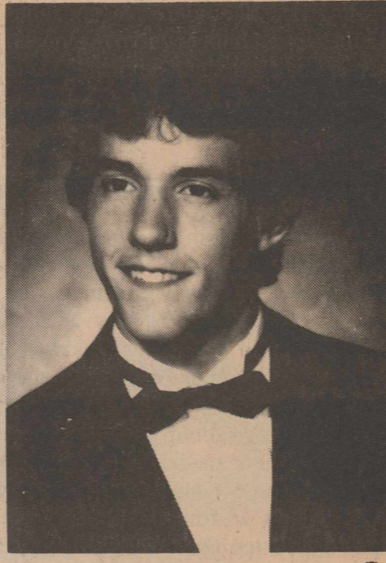
If there was any visiting going on this past weekend, no one told me! So until next week, this is all I have.

Stay in and stay warm. This weather is terrible.

RETURNS HOME

Peggy McGaughey returned home last week after spending two weeks in Fort Worth with their daughter and her family, Sarah and Jeff Harbaugh and new granddaughter Courtney Elizabeth.

Peggy's husband, Allen, traveled to Fort Worth to return her home.



ALAN DONALDSON

KC Graduate Featured As Bank Artist

Alan Donaldson is "Artist of the Month" for February at The Citizens State Bank.

Alan has been interested in photography for the past few years. He primarily takes nature pictures and is partial to sunsets.

Most of Alan's pictures are taken in this area. Most of them on display were taken near the river bridge west of Knox City, one picturing the remains of the old bridge. The sunset in a thunderstorm was taken at the western edge of Knox City and the windmill with reflection was taken at the Bateman Ranch.

Alan said he would like to continue capturing the area on film since such a variety of terrain within a few miles in any direction is available. He hopes to put his work in book form in the future.

Alan, a 1988 graduate of Knox City High School, is a freshman at Mid-western State University where he is an education major.

Alan's parents are Pam and Rocky Mongrain of Knox City. His grandparents are Dewey and Marie Darr of Knox City and Elizabeth Donaldson of Haskell.

Streams In Desert Places

By Ozelle Stephens

Prayer is a process of "letting" - Letting go of the shade of false beliefs that keep you in darkness and letting the rays of God's love and truth fill your heart, soul and mind.

The love of God gives you faith like the fishing net. When you are obedient to Christ and throw it out into the deep, you shall then net a rich harvest and be successful.

When we are seeking success, we should not think we are better than others. True success is in the out come of our going beyond our selfish personalities and seeking better understanding of others and working with them in spirit and truth.

God's truths contain no unharmonious elements such as fear, hate, doubt, anger, superstition, spirit and peace with God, and selfishness, but unity in through our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Then when we give ourselves to prayer of faith the Kingdom is ours. Remember Jesus said, "It is your Fathers good pleasure to give you the Kingdom."

Crownovers Have New Great-Granddaughter

Mr. and Mrs. John Crownover returned home Friday night from Peru, Indiana, where they spent ten days helping usher in a new great-granddaughter.

Their granddaughter Stephanie and her husband Air Force Capt. Frank Reale are the proud parents of a baby girl, Rose Ana, who was born January 31 and weighed eight pounds, five ounces. Rose Ana has a big, two year old sister Francesca.

Grandparents include Peggy and Joe Smith of Granbury, and Mrs. Tess Crownover of Knox City is great-great-grandmother.

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 Sunday School: 10:00 A.M.
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 Mid-Week Worship: 7:00 P.M.

Odell Carver Dies Tuesday

Graveside services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in Rochester Cemetery for Odell Carver, 68, who died Tuesday a.m. at Knox County Hospital after a brief illness. The Rev. Byron Putman, Methodist minister, will be officiating and burial is under the direction of Smith Funeral Home.

Born July 25, 1920, in Knox City, he attended Union Grove and Knox City Schools. He married Dorothy Warren on September 8, 1940, in Walters, Oklahoma. He was a farmer. He served in the U.S. Navy. He was a Primitive Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy of the home, three sons, Freddie Mann Carver of Benjamin, Johnny Warren Carver of Taft, and Travis Craig Carver of Knox City, one brother, Tom Ed Osborn of Knox City, seven grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Oather Poe, Theodore Poe, Daniel Godsey, Joe Godsey, Shelton Boyd, and Chock Reeves.

Memorials may be made to the West Texas Rehabilitation and American Heart Association.

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SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, February 9 -- One-Act Play Practice, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.
Monday, February 13 -- San Antonio Stock Show; One Act Play Practice, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday, February 14 -- San Antonio Stock Show; One Act Play Practice, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, February 15 -- San Antonio Stock Show

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Hendrix Rites Set Thursday

Alfred F. Hendrix, 61, of Knox City died Monday at 5:30 p.m. at Knox County Hospital after a brief illness.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. James Patterson and the Rev. Bobby King, officiating. Burial will follow in the Knox City Cemetery under the direction of Smith Funeral Home.

Born September 21, 1927, in Knox City, he graduated from Knox City High School (attending Martin Schools on Hendrix Ranch until high school), and Abilene Business College. He was a rancher. He served on the board of King County Soil and Water Conservation Dist. for 20 years.

Survivors include four sisters, Mae Bradley of Knox City, Ruth O'Dell of Dallas, Ruby Boydston of Jean, and Pearl Brannin of Richmond, California; six nephews and 9 nieces.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, J.B. and B. Hendrix and two sisters, Irene Hendrix and Thelma Taylor, along with his parents, John and LaDocia Hendrix.

Pallbearers are Gary Johnson, "Juicy" Herndon, Dell Large, Guy Bradley, Daniel Araiza, and Ray Escobar.

Carrasco Rites Held Wednesday

Rodrigo F. Carrasco, 61, of Rochester died at 2:00 a.m. Monday in the Knox County Hospital after a brief illness.

Funeral services were held at Santa Rosa Catholic Church in Knox City at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday with Father Gary Geurtz, pastor officiating. Burial followed in the O'Brien Cemetery under the direction of Smith Funeral Home. Rosary Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. at Smith Funeral Home.

Born March 14, 1928, in Mart, Texas, he moved back to Rochester seven years ago from Hondo. He married Santos Gomez on December 12, 1953, in Rule. He was a farm worker.

Survivors include his wife, Santos Carrasco of the home, two sons, Rodrigo Carrasco Jr. of Hondo and Johnny Carrasco of Houston; three daughters, Janie Perez of Houston, Sandra Carrasco of Rochester, and Elizabeth Carrasco of Abilene; three brothers, Jessie Reyna of Rochester, Felix Reyna of Rochester, and George Reyna of Spere; six sisters, Tomasa Ramirez, Virginia Cardoza, Aroa Flores, and Carmen Hernandez, all of Rochester, Susan Morales of Plainview, and Reberta Perez of Weinert; and nine grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by one grandchild.

Pallbearers were Pete Perez, Johnny Andrada, Rueben Saucedo, Robert Hernandez, Ruben Lopez, and Eloy Lopez.

LOOK WHO'S HERE



Mr. and Mrs. John Weatherly of Amarillo are the proud parents of a baby boy born January 11. Brady Paul weighed seven pounds and one-half ounce. He measured 20 inches long.

The Bruce Railsbacks, Jim Weatherlys, Pat Carharts, and Betty Jo Smith are the proud grandparents.

SCHOOL LUNCHROOM MENUS

Week of February 13-17, 1989

BREAKFAST

Monday-Peaches, Cinnamon Toast, and Chocolate Milk

Tuesday-Orange Halves, Peanut Butter Whip, Toast, and Chocolate Milk

Wednesday-Orange Juice, Scrambled Eggs, Toast & Jelly, and Chocolate Milk

Thursday-Bananas, Fruit Loops, Toast, and Chocolate Milk

Friday-Applesauce, Muffins, and Chocolate Milk

LUNCH

Monday-Pigs in Blanket, Garden Salad, Green Beans, Haystack Cookies, and Milk or Tea

Tuesday-Corn Chip Pie, Pinto Beans, Fried Okra, Cherry Cobbler, and Milk or Tea

Wednesday-Charburgers with Cheese Slices, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, French Fries, Applesauce Cake, and Milk or Tea

Thursday-Stew and Crackers, Cheese Slices, Lettuce Wedges, Cinnamon Crisp Cookies, Chilled Fruit, and Milk or Tea

Friday-Oven Baked Chicken, Creamed Potatoes, Buttered Carrots, Hot Rolls, Butter, Honey, and Milk or Tea

Social Security News

Persons dealing with the Social Security Administration do not have to be represented by an attorney or anyone else; however, some people feel more comfortable if they are represented.

The representative may be an attorney or any other qualified person and may be entitled to a fee even if the claim is denied; however, any fee charged must be approved by SSA. Even a contract between the claimant and the representative for payment of a specified fee is not binding.

Any fee due the representative is usually paid from money due the claimant when a claim is approved. If this amount is insufficient to cover the fee, the claimant is responsible for paying the balance.

Representatives use a special form to file for a fee. If they are an attorney and wish to collect the fee from money due the claimant, the form must be filed within 60 days of the date of notification that the claim was approved. The claimant is sent a copy of the form and has an opportunity to comment on any of the representative's statements before a fee is set.

The claimant is notified by SSA of the amount of the fee due the representative. If either the claimant or the representative is dissatisfied with the amount set by SSA, they may request a review. The request must be in writing and made within 30 days of the date of the notice. The review is conducted by someone who did not participate in the original decision and is final.

Truscott-Gilliland News

By Clara Brown

It was spring during most of January on the Wichita Divide, but February brought winter. Early morning temperatures from last Friday through Monday ranged from a reported low of 3 degrees to a high of 10. The days warmed up some, Sunday afternoon the temperature got up to 18 degrees.

The days have been beautiful to look at through the window, but it has been bitterly cold weather to be outside, especially since the wind chill factor made it feel like about 20 below, despite the sunshine and clear, blue skies. Predictions are that the cold weather will last through Wednesday, with the possibility of snow.

The Ronnie Simmons family was in Ft. Worth last week. Jason and Jeremy took their steers to the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show. Jason's polled Hereford placed tenth and made the show sale. Jason also entered a cross bred steer and Jeremy entered an Angus. They both plan to show at the Wichita Falls show. Derinda Simmons said they saw all kinds of weather, including getting caught in a big rain and flooding conditions after visiting her aunt in Dallas. The Simmons could not return until Saturday as they had to wait for the steer sale.

Carrie Barry reports that the Tommie Lee Jones starring in the "Lonesome Dove" movie showing this week lived at Benjamin as a small boy. He has played some polo and the Barrys met him through polo.

Lee and Gail Whitley, Crystal Dishman, and Ila Mae Bullion went down Tuesday for the Fort Worth Stock Show. Ila Mae said everything was fine until the sleet started. Crystal showed Ducros in the swine division. Crystal's Poland China placed 17th when it showed Friday. The Whitleys left Friday afternoon on icy roads, but they ran out of the bad weather near Jacksboro.

Freddie Cash went down with the Whitleys to take Timmy's two Hampshire. LaNay and Timmy went down Wednesday. Timmy's entry won a ribbon, but the Cashes couldn't be contacted Sunday to learn how his entry placed.

Sue Bown and Jill Brown of Crowell visited Vivian Brown Sunday after-

noon. Jane Rowan, agent, will present the program at the Tuesday, February 14 meeting of the Truscott Extension Homemakers.

Dwight Burgess was in Quanah for a checkup last Thursday and received a good report.

The Burgess family, like everyone else, has been staying close to the fire and their only weather casualties have been two calves and a frozen drain.

John and Grace Campbell were in Vernon last Friday.

Grandma's Dinner will be held the second Sunday in February, February

12.

Despite the bad weather both the Baptist Church and the Church of Christ at Gilliland met Sunday. The Church of Christ at Truscott had Sunday school and communion.

Don and Margaret Daniel were recent visitors in Mineral Wells to see her aunts.

R.C. Daniel and Don and Margaret Daniel were in Knox City Saturday to attend the wedding of Karen Daniel and Larry Reid. The bride is the daughter of Edward and Cheryl Daniel. The wedding was at the Knox City First Baptist Church.

Saturday night R.C. and Joan Daniel had as supper guests Michael and Cathy Daniel and family of Crowell.

Other supper guests were Jerry Bob and Eugene Daniel and children, Duane and Nancy Daniel and children, and Don and Margaret Daniel.

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